Hells Canyon Complex Clean Water Action Section 401 Re-Application.

On November 2, 2007 Idaho Power Company withdrew their Clean Water Act section 401 water quality certification application from consideration by Idaho DEQ. At the same time Idaho Power Company submitted to Idaho DEQ a new application for Clean Water Act section 401 water quality certification. That application is available at the following website.

> Hells Canyon Complex Hydroelectric Project (FERC Project No. 1971-079) - Snake River

DEQ is currently examining the CWA Section 401 water quality certification application from Idaho Power Company for the Hells Canyon Complex. Idaho Power Company's Hells Canyon Complex consists of the Brownlee, Oxbox, and Hells Canyon hydroelectric projects on the Snake River between Idaho and Oregon. In total, the project encompasses 95 river miles.

DEQ is reviewing the application materials and anticipates preparing a draft water quality certification during the summer of 2008. DEQ will seek public comment once the draft certification is completed.